

REMARKS

Claims 1-24 are pending in this case. Claims 1-17 have been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-8 and 10-18 of Roop et al. U.S. Patent No. 6,216,265 (hereinafter "Roop"). Claim 18 has been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 20 of Roop. The Examiner has indicated that claims 1-24 are allowable over the prior art.

Applicants submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer under 37 C.F.R. § 1.321 (b,c) to obviate the Examiner's obviousness-type double patenting rejection. Applicants submit that this application is now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, prompt consideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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